

Adelia M. Hillman.

PROCEEDINGS

—OF THE—

◇FIFTIETH SESSION◇

—OF THE—

COLDWATER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church,

DESOTO COUNTY, MISS.,

October 15th to 18th, 1891.

JOSE HARRAL.....MODERATOR
B. R. WOMACK.....CLERK
T. C. DOCKERY.....TREASURER

Next Meeting: Mt. Zion Church.

Introductory Sermon by L. N. Brock.

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*Woman's Meeting and Report
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PROCEEDINGS.

PLEASANT HILL, MISS., OCT. 15th, 1891.

1. The Coldwater Baptist Association met in its Fiftieth session with the Pleasant Hill Baptist church, in DeSoto county, at 11 a. m. The Introductory sermon was preached by Elder Jobe Harral. Adjourned to 1:30 o'clock for refreshments.

First Day—Afternoon Session.

2. The former Moderator, Elder Jobe Harral, called the Association to order at the appointed hour and read from the Scriptures. Elder W. I. Hargis offered prayer.

3. The Association, on motion of W. M. Gordon, went into permanent organization. J. W. Lee and J. T. Christian were appointed to read the letters from the churches; B. R. Womack, S. M. Ellis and T. C. Dockery were appointed tellers; Jobe Harral was re-elected Moderator; B. R. Womack, Clerk, and T. C. Dockery, Treasurer.

4. Petitionary letter from Macedonia church was read, and the church was received. The hand of fellowship was extended to the delegates by the Moderator.

5. On motion of W. M. Farmer the following hours for labor were agreed upon: Meet at 9 a. m., adjourn at 12 M.; meet at 1:30 and adjourn at 4 p. m.

6. Corresponding Messengers and Delegates were appointed as follows:

Southern Baptist Convention: J. E. Barnett, principal, and W. M. Farmer, alternate.

Baptist State Convention: John Thompson, J. M. Dockery, J. E. Barnett, B. R. Womack, L. N. Brock, W. M. Farmer,

Jobe Harral, H. J. Legge, W. T. Hudson, M. Whittle, A. V. Gates and W. W. Powell.

Big Hatchie Association: M. Whittle, and J. M. Dockery.

Chichasaw Association: I. M. Gray, W. M. Gordon and A. N. Billingsly.

Oxford Association: N. F. Metts, J. E. Barnett and W. M. Farmer.

Surflower Association: H. J. Legge, T. H. Dollahite, W. T. Hudson, W. M. Farmer, Jobe Harral and W. J. Self.

East Sardis Association (colored): B. R. Womack, W. M. Farmer and W. M. Gordon. (Meets 1st Sunday in Aug.)

Yalobusha Association: Jobe Harral, George Seymore, T. C. Dockery, T. A. Knight, N. F. Metts, H. J. Legge and A. N. Billingsly.

7. Visitors and Messengers were received as follows: Elder S. M. Ellis, of Clinton, representing the Board of Ministerial Education; Elders J. A. Lee and W. I. Hargis, of the Oxford Association; Elder J. T. Christian, Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board and the *Southern Baptist Record*; Elder J. R. Farish, from Yalobusha Association; J. L. Coopwood, from Memphis Association.

8. Pastor Hudson announced that S. M. Ellis would preach to-night. Adjourned.

Second Day—Morning Session.

9. Association met at 9; Scripture reading by Moderator; prayer by J. E. Barnett. Minutes of yesterday read and approved and roll of delegates called.

10. Moderator appointed Financial Committee as follows: J. C. Droke, Milton Brocker and T. A. Knight.

11. Moved by J. W. Lee that 10 a. m. this day be special hour for the consideration of State Missions, and by John Thompson that 2 o'clock this evening be the special hour for report on Ministerial Education.

12. B. R. Womack read the report on

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The duty binding us to prosecute the work of Foreign Missions is based upon considerations both human and divine.

1. CONSIDERATIONS HUMAN.

Human considerations are both humanitarian and utilitarian; unselfish and selfish. (1) *The Humanitarian*. This is based in human need. If we would be humane, help the needy, comfort the distressed and save the lost, we must be interested in the heathen and send them the bread of life. From this point of view, the Foreign work is purely benevolent, unselfish, humanitarian. It emphasizes the doctrine of the Golden Rule: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." If we were in darkness, we would appreciate the kindness and the humanity that would send us help. But there is another human consideration why Christian nations should foster the work of Foreign Missions, viz: (2) *The utilitarian*. It is easy of demonstration that Foreign Mission Societies, through their Missionaries, have made many most valuable contributions to the wealth and literature of nations. Who have done more for ethnology, geography, lexicography and philology than Christian Missionaries during the last one hundred years? They have done a vast deal to increase the commerce of nations and foster the fraternization of mankind. But this is the purely utilitarian view. We are not to engage in Foreign Mission work because we derive personal, commercial or national benefit from it, but from other and higher reasons.

2. CONSIDERATIONS DIVINE.

We should foster Foreign Mission work because it is God's will we should. We know it is His will because (1) *Christ set the example*. He is our great pattern. He lived in part to show us how to live. He was the greatest missionary. He set an example for us to follow. Because (2) *Christ has commanded us to do such*. He said "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." He would not command us to do what he does not want us to do. Obedience to the commands of our great Law-giver, is a fundamental principle with Baptists. Because (3) *The love of Christ constrains us to follow His example and obey His commands*. They who refuse to obey Him cannot claim to love Him; for our love is proven by our obedience. Because (4) *God blesses the work*. Souls are converted and made happy. It would seem that God blesses in a special manner the Foreign Mission work of the Baptist. All the world knows that Baptists give less money for this work than any other denomination, and yet our Missionaries meet with greater success than Missionaries of other bodies. That is, our converts cost us about \$10 to \$12 each, while the converts of other denominations cost their Boards from \$25 to \$150 each. What a difference! Does this not mean that we ought to love this work?

Let our people read our missionary literature, become informed and get into full sympathy with the work and let us double what we have ever done.

B. R. WOMACK.

This report was discussed by B. R. Womack, who proposed that the Coldwater Association raise \$1,000 and support one Missionary in the foreign field, also by J. T. Christian and J. R. Parish, after which a collection of cash and pledges amounting to \$976.50* was taken up, as follows:

Coldwater Baptist Association.

INDIVIDUALS.

A V Gates.....	\$10 00
N F Metts.....	10 00
W J Self.....	10 00
Mrs. J E Barnett.....	25 00
Mrs. W W Powell.....(paid).....	10 00
Mrs. J B Moody.....	10 00
Jno Thompson.....	10 00
J W Alford.....	10 00
A J Wesson.....	10 00
D P Harris.....	10 00
Mrs. W M Farmer.....	10 00
B R Womack.....	10 00
L N Brock.....	10 00
Miss Lizzie Pattison.....	5 00
Miss Jennie Gordon.....	2 00
A W Hardin.....	5 00
W M Gordon.....	5 00
Miss Winnie Self.....	1 50
George Seymore.....	5 00
Mrs E D Miller.....	5 00
Unknown.....(paid).....	1 00
J W Sturdivant.....	2 00
R W Flynn.....	10 00
Monroe Owen.....	5 00
H J Legge.....	10 00
I M Gray.....	5 00

Total.....\$206 50

Mrs W E Oliver.....	\$ 1 00
T H Johnson.....	10 00
Miss Minnie Nail.....	2 00
R J Dean.....(paid).....	5 00
W A Allen.....	5 00
A J Dickson.....	5 00
F P Tate.....	5 00
Mrs J W Flynn.....(paid).....	2 00
E Tucker.....	5 10
Mrs J W Beall.....	2 50
Miss Eula Beall.....	2 50
Mrs R A Harwell.....	1 00
Miss Fannie Pattison.....	5 00
R S Flynn.....	5 00
D G Coffman.....	5 00
S P Dollahite.....	5 00
L F Rainwater.....	10 00
Dr T A Knight.....(paid).....	5 00
Unknown.....(paid).....	1 00
A M Solomon.....	10 00
J C McNeely.....	5 00
Z H Nail.....	5 00
J A Smith.....	2 00
R P McCargo.....	5 00
L H Shinault.....	5 00
R J Howard.....(paid).....	5 00

Total.....\$119 00

CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES.

W M S Senatobia.....	\$10 00
W M S Holly Springs.....	5 00
Oak Grove ch.....	10 00
Mt Manna ch.....	10 00
Bold Springs ch. (P H Dolahite).....	5 00
Eudora.....(J Harrah).....	10 00
Coldwater.....(Marshall Co.).....	10 00
Pleasant Grove.....(Sisco).....	10 00
Byhalia.....	15 00
Pleasant Hill.....	15 00
New Hope.....(W. W. Perry).....	5 00
Salem.....	15 00
Senatobia.....	25 00
Harmony.....	10 00
Unity.....	10 00
White Oak Grove.....	10 00
Unity.....(Panola).....	5 00
Tyro.....	15 00
Hickory Grove.....	20 00
Evansville.....	5 00
Center Hill.....	5 00
Macedonia.....	10 00
Senatobia.....	10 00
W. M. S., Sardis.....	5 00
Sunbeams, Sardis.....	5 00
Sunday School, State Line.....	5 00
W. M. S., Peach Creek.....	5 00
Harmony.....	5 00
W. M. S., New Hope.....	5 00
Sunday School, Oak Grove.....	2 00
Philadelphia.....	5 00

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W. M. S., Mt. Zion.....	\$ 5 00
Hernando church.....	25 00
Gray's Creek church (B. F. Cate).....	5 00
Central Coldwater.....	30 00
Lookahoma (W. & Gordon).....	10 00
Holly Springs.....	10 00
State Line.....	15 00
Klam.....	5 00
New Prospect.....	5 00
Alexandria.....(J. W. Alford).....	25 00
Sardis.....	30 00
Longtown.....	15 00
Peach Creek.....	25 00
Chulahoma.....	15 00
Hebron.....	5 00
Bethel.....	10 00
New Hope (LaFayette Co.).....	10 00
Mt. Zion.....	15 00
Midway.....	5 00
Mt. Moriah.....	10 00
McIvor.....	5 00
Hopewell.....	15 00
Peach Creek.....	25 00
Sunday School, Hickory Grove.....	5 00
Sunbeams, Peach Creek.....	5 00
Mt. Zion.....	10 00
Tyro.....(Barnett).....	5 00
S. S. class, Byhalia (Miss Hays).....	5 00
Hopewell.....	5 00
W. M. S., Central Coldwater.....	10 00
New Hope (Tate Co.).....	5 00

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13. Song, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," adopted the report and adjourned.

Second Day—Afternoon Session.

14. Association re-assembled at 1:30. Scriptures read by the Moderator; prayer by L. N. Brock. Moderator appointed the following Committee on Obituaries: W. M. Farmer, M. Whittle, H. J. Leggs. Elder E. B. Miller, Vice-President of the Home Mission Board, welcomed to a seat and appointed by the Committee on Devotion to preach to-night.

15. Moved that to-morrow morning at 10:30 be made the special hour for considering State and Associational Missions.

16. J. E. Barnett read the report on

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

It has pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save those who believe. Therefore He has called men into the gospel ministry and set them apart to that special work. He does not send them out to get up a gospel, but has given it to them in His blessed book and tells them to preach this word and promises to be with them unto the end of the world. More, He says if we lack wisdom ask of Him and He will give it. But while God does all this for us, He, through Paul, wrote to Timothy, saying "study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." God helps men to preach the gospel. He is with them and gives them the help and support of His spirit. But He does not help men to preach that which they do not know. He has given His word in which to learn this truth and by a study of this word we learn the gospel He has commanded us to preach. This work is deep and profound. The better a mind is disciplined, the more readily will it take hold of these grand truths, and the better can it impart it to others. A realization of this fact has caused the Baptists of our State to form a Board Ministerial Education for the purpose of helping young men who are called of God into the gospel ministry, but who are not able to take a course at school. Therefore your committee begs leave to recommend that the Association co-operate with this Board and that the churches be requested to make regular contributions to the support of this great work.

J. E. BARNETT.

The report was received by J. E. Barnett, E. B. Miller, W. T. Hudson and S. M. Ellis, whereupon the following collection in cash and pledges to aid young ministers to get an education was taken up and the report was adopted.

SUBSCRIPTION FOR MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Hernando church.....	25 00	Peach Creek.....	15 00
Sunbeams, Hernando.....	1 65	Oak Grove.....(try).....	5 00
Gray's Creek (try).....	2 50	Ebenezer.....	5 00
Central Coldwater.....	20 00	Loxahoma.....	10 00
Holly Springs.....(try).....	5 00	State Line.....	10 00
Pleasant Grove.....	5 00	Byhalia.....(try).....	5 00
Pleasant Hill.....	10 00	Alexandria.....	5 00
New Hope (Tate Co.).....	25 00	Sardis.....	20 00
Salem.....	15 00	Longtown.....	5 00
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Hebron.....	5 00	White Oak Grove.....	5 00
Bethel.....	5 00	Union.....	5 00
Mt. Zion.....	10 00	Hickory Grove.....	5 00
Midway.....	5 00	Evansville.....	2 50
Mt. Moriah.....	5 00	Macedonia.....	2 50
Hopewell.....	15 00	Cash.....	15 85
Mr. T. C. Dockery.....	5 00		
TOTAL.....	\$400 85		

(Note: These subscriptions are to be sent to S. M. Ellis, Clinton, Miss., during the present session of Mississippi College.)

17. Upon motion of J. W. Lee it was, after discussion by the mover and B. R. Womack,

Resolved, That the Coldwater Baptist Association commend the idea suggested by the Strong River Association to organize a school for preachers to last one or more months in the year, and that Rev. J. B. Gambrell have the leadership in the movement.

18. Moderator appointed for the ensuing year the following

EXECUTIVE BOARD:

Hernando.....	N. M. Whitly	Oak Grove.....	T. J. Harwell
Grays Creek.....	A. G. Perry	Mt. Manna.....	Dr. T. A. Knight
Central Coldwater, W. H. Dougherty		Ebenezer.....	T. C. Dockery
Bold Springs.....	S. A. Hughey	Loxahoma.....	A. J. Dickson
Eudora.....	R. L. Barbee	Holly Springs.....	Z. J. Hill
Coldwater.....	R. J. Dean	State Line.....	R. W. Flynn
Pleasant Grove.....	A. E. Crook	Byhalia.....	John Thompson
Elam.....	W. E. Cavett	New Prospect.....	Sam Sneed
Pleasant Hill.....	J. B. Hill	Philadelphia.....	F. L. Ragdale
New Hope.....	T. J. Carter	Sardis.....	I. F. Rainwater
Salem.....	T. J. Henderson	Longtown.....	T. Q. Farmer
Senatobia.....	J. L. Ham	Peach Creek.....	F. H. Keating
Harmony.....	W. B. Phillips	Chulahoma.....	R. T. Bowen
Unity.....	J. M. Ray	Hebron.....	J. E. Faulkner
White Oak Grove.....	T. D. Nelson	N. Mt. Pleasant.....	S. W. Sturdivant
Union.....	J. L. Crumby	Tyro.....	T. J. Lockhart
Strayhorn.....	I. M. Gray	Hickory Grove.....	George McPeters
Mt. Zion.....	W. J. Self	Evansville.....	A. T. Howell
Midway.....	Robt. Henshaw	Antioch.....	S. G. Whitsell
Mt. Moriah.....	A. S. Quinn	McIvor.....	Lee Master
New Hope.....	J. B. Johnson		
Macedonia.....	B. R. Chambliss		

19. Association gave the liberty of the floor to Rev. H. G. Dahilton, D. D., (colored) of N. C. representing the National Colored Baptist Foreign Mission Convention, who was formerly a Missionary of that Convention in Africa, and who addressed the body. Also received Rev. A. Harris, (colored)

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Corresponding Messenger from East Sardis Baptist Association
(colored who brought a letter of greeting. Adjourned.

Third Day—Morning Session.

20. Moderator in the chair at the hour, who read from the Bible. W. M. Farmer offered prayer.

21. W. M. Farmer read the report on

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

There is no department of Christian work more important in its aims, nor more encouraging in its results than is the work of the Sunday School. This we can more fully appreciate when we remember that it is shown by the statistics that in the United States, at least 80 per cent. of the accessions to the churches come directly from the S. S. Since this is true, how very important it is that every church in the bounds of this Association should at least make an honest and persistent effort to keep up a S. S. in its midst.

That there are discouragements, especially in the country, your committee is fully aware. The people are scattered, the roads are bad, the houses in many instances are uncomfortable and, necessarily, in winter, the attendance will be small. But do not all these things with equal force hinder the progress of our church work? And if they justify a discontinuance of one, why not the other as well? The truth is, we do not fully realize the good of the S. S., nor do we give the subject that attention its importance demands. God's word was given to us as a guide for all time, and has stood the test of the criticism of all ages past and must stand for all time to come. How important then that we know its teachings! Your committee would urge that more thought, especially upon the part of pastors, be given to this part of our evangelic work, and that they see to it that in the churches there be a faithful effort to carry on an evergreen S. S. Let them as God's overseers think about it, pray about it and talk about it; and if by any means they can enlist an interest and secure the co-operation of their people the thing is a success, and surely God will bless the enterprise.

W. M. FARMER.

Discussed by W. M. Farmer, L. N. Brock, J. R. Farish, and adopted.

22. Moved by J. T. Christian that the reports on HOME, STATE and ASSOCIATIONAL Missions be read together. J. B. Moody read the report on

STATE MISSIONS.

The Baptists of Mississippi have a two-fold purpose to accomplish in their State Mission work. 1st. To preach the blessed gospel of the Son of God to those who have it not. Surely it ought to have the good will, help and prayers of every Mississippian who loves to see their fellow men

turned from sin to holiness, and coming under the blessed influences which the gospel alone can bring about. 2nd. To help the weak points in our Zion. Many places where Baptists were once few, and weak every way, and with no house of worship, now through the help of the State Mission Board, they are strong every way, with splendid houses of worship. In fact, the State Mission Board was organized eighteen years ago, and this was their motto: "A Baptist church and a Baptist Sunday school in every city, town, village and neighborhood in Mississippi." Because the Baptist have the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, and because our Master commands us to teach this truth to everybody. Every Baptist should consider himself or herself a special committee appointed by the Master himself, to have this whole truth, as it were, on the tongue's end, and with his heart aflame with love convince their brethren of Pedro errors and Baptist truths.

While our State Mission work, was to accomplish the two-fold purpose of preaching the gospel in destitute places, and having a Baptist church and Sunday school, in every city, town, village and neighborhood in the State, it is wonderfully developing the Christian grace of giving among our people, impressing them that working and giving to the Master's cause is their chief business. Baptists have reason to be very thankful to the Master for what has been wrought through our State Board; for during the last Convention year twenty-four houses of worship have been built, four repaired, 244 stations occupied by 58 missionaries who averaged 14 accessions apiece to our churches. Our State Mission work began 18 years ago with only two hundred dollars in the treasury. At the last Convention we had seventy thousand dollars in the treasury, and we number nearly as many as all other denominations combined in Miss. The statistics are: Baptists alone number 177,410, all others combined 186,793. Your committee would urge every Baptist to give our State Mission work his or her prayers, sympathy and co-operation. We can co-operate in many ways with our State Mission work, viz: By giving money, by leading the unconverted to Christ, and convincing those who are in error of the truth. Most Baptist shut the truth up in their own bosoms. As an evidence that the truth ought to be propagated, 18 Methodist preachers joined us last year, and 10,000 Pedro Baptists come to us for baptism every year. Your committee would further urge that we be not weary in well doing, but that we so push our State Mission work that its motto, "A Baptist church and Sunday school in every city, town, village and neighborhood in Miss." be abundantly verified.

J. H. MOODY.

J. W. Lee read the report on

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

We the Executive Board of your Association, beg leave to make the following report: We have held three regular meetings at Coldwater. At our first meeting, we appointed three men to do the work in different parts of the Association, viz:

- Elder Jno. Thompson in the N. E. part.
- " N. F. Metts in the S. E. part.
- " I. M. Gray in the S. W. part.
- " W. M. Farmer in the N. W. part.

We agreed to pay these brethren the following amounts: Brother Thompson, \$125.00; Brother Gray, \$75.00; Brother Farmer, \$60.00; Broth-

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These r E. B. Miller \$29.25 was t

er Metts, \$100.00. These brethren have made satisfactory reports to us and have been paid the amounts agreed upon. We have also tried to have as much colportage work done as possible, and required work of this kind from each of our missionaries. The most of them have done very satisfactory work in this line, and we recommend that this colportage work be continued. We are glad to report that a sufficient amount of money has been sent up by the churches to pay our missionaries and a balance to be paid over to our State Board to help destitute places in other parts of the State. We regret that we have not a greater amount to assist other parts more needy than ours. Thanking God for his blessings upon us during the past year, we yield the work to our successors. Most respectfully,

J. W. LEE, CHAIR. OF BOARD.

L. F. Rainwater read report on
HOME MISSIONS.

As a rule, the Baptists of Mississippi underestimate the importance of Home Missions. The majority of our people are not familiar with the work of our Home Mission Board, nor with the extent of its field, nor the urgent demands the enterprises fostered by it, make upon our hearts and purses. While Christian sympathy and Christian endeavor should not be hedged in by any imaginary geographical boundaries, but should be broad enough to cover the habitable globe, yet we should not lose sight of the benighted condition of our own territory, in the contemplation of the darkness of distant heathendom. All over this Southland of ours, are scattered a race of people, who, if left exclusively to themselves, will soon drift into a state of ignorant superstition and false doctrines, comparable to that which characterizes their brethren in benighted Africa. They are among us, at our very doors, and in our households. In the providence of God, they have been thrown upon us, and it is our duty to see that they have proper instruction upon gospel lines. The responsibility is upon us. We cannot avoid it, if we would; we should not avoid it, if we could. The future welfare of our own children, our own society and our own churches, demands that we look carefully to the moral and religious instruction of the Negro. There is too much indifference upon the part of our people, as to what is taught in the pulpits of the Negroes. In the opinion of your committee, each Association should employ a missionary—a thoroughly competent white preacher—whose duty it should be to preach to Negro churches and to instruct Negro preachers.

It would be impossible in the short time allotted your committee, to refer to all the work of the Home Mission Board. Suffice it to say, that in the past decade a grand work has been accomplished. Within that time, the number of missionaries employed has increased from 38 to more than 400, and additions to mission churches, from 333 to nearly 10,000. Contributions for the Home Mission work have steadily increased from about \$45,000 in 1883, to more than \$200,000 in 1891. The additions to mission churches in the last nine years have been more than 50,000 members. Truly this is a grand harvest,—but the opportunities are multiplying. The probabilities and the obligations are enlarging. The importance of the work demands more of our sympathy, our earnest prayers and more liberal contributions.

L. F. RAINWATER, SPECIAL COM.

These reports were spoken to by J. W. Lee, N. F. Metts, E. B. Miller, J. T. Christian, and after a cash collection of \$29.25 was taken up, they were adopted. Adjourned.

Third Day—Afternoon Session.

23. Met according to adjournment. Reading by the Moderator and prayer by W. M. Gordon.

24. L. F. Rainwater read Miss Mollie Harwell's report of

TEMPERANCE.

Temperance means a moderate indulgence of the appetite. The appetite is the rock on which man wrecks his health. There is scarcely a youth who is entirely free from some vicious appetite or disease. The death rate steadily increases from fourteen to twenty-five years of age, evil habits and vitiated appetites having destroyed their health at the age they should have been in their manly prime.

There is a startling increase of crime which statistics report chiefly among youths. Sixty-seven out of every one hundred criminals are young men, and thirty thousand children are said to be victims of the drink appetite. There must be a cause for every effect, then where lies the cause of these depraved appetites in children? Intemperance in parents is the cause; so that one generation must suffer for the sins of their ancestors. It has been said: "The practice of temperance may become a habit by discipline." This should be true, especially of Christians. They should be temperate in dress, in conversation, in habits, in all things; yet ninety-nine out of every hundred are injured morally or physically by intemperance. What slaves we are! For the sake of fashion the body is frequently made a complete wreck, health, comfort, happiness, usefulness, and even life itself sacrificed. God's Word teaches us that temperance is one of the fruits of the Spirit. The Bible is full of temperance and forbids the use of intoxicating drinks, and pronounces woe upon him that giveth his neighbor drink.

Intemperance is the most prolific known cause of pauperism. It is an admitted fact that seven-eighths of the crimes committed are the results of the liquor traffic, and as intemperance increases insanity and idleness the people must pay taxes to build and support institutions for these subjects, hence to receive a hundred dollars for license means to give a thousand dollars for taxes. We spend \$15,000,000 a year for liquor and tobacco, ten times as much as for education and religion, and in making alcoholic drinks, enough grain is wasted to pave a street a thousand miles long with loaves of bread, while hundreds of the poor go hungry and without sufficient clothing to keep them warm. The money value of churches, schools, colleges and benevolent societies does not pay the nation's drink bill. The expense of this traffic in money is nothing compared to the traffic in souls. One hundred thousand die annually from the effect of intemperance. If a foreign army were to attack this nation and slay half so many as these sad men, the people would rise up in indignation and drive out the invaders or die in the attempt.

"Drunkennes is a moral evil produced by a physical agency. Remove the agency and the evil ceases." Who is to remove this agency? Christians. Christians hold the balance of power, and if they withdraw their support from the liquor traffic, it is gone. Let the churches unite and earnestly pray for this evil to be removed and diligently work for its removal and it will be done.

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colleges, and fight the foe, intemperance, in the social circle, at the ballot box, in the saloons, everywhere, and in another generation the liquor dealers would starve at their trade. Let our women and young ladies be-ware how you offer intoxicants to your young friends. Remember, it is written, "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink," and again "Be not drunk with wine, at last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." Women can to a great extent control social customs, and if every woman would disdain to recognize the use of intoxicants in any way and use her influence against it, very soon it would fall into disuse. Welcome the day when the drinking custom of society will receive its death blow, and especially the custom of celebrating Christmas day with the social glass. It is a day that should be regarded as too sacred to be made a day for general reveling. It is a sad fact that a great many Christians thus celebrate the supposed birthday of their Savior, who teaches us to shun the very appearance of evil. How can a Christian conscientiously assist in this traffic of human lives and immortal souls, while 856,000,000 heathen do not even know that the Savior died for them. Oh! that all Christians would realize the power of influence and combine their efforts to suppress this matchless evil.

MISS MOLLIE HARWELL.

Remarks by Dr. T. A. Knight and J. R. Farrish; paper
adopted and ordered printed in the minutes.
25. T. C. Dockery read the report on

PUBLICATIONS.

The age in which we live is one of wonderful activity of mind and of its agent, the printing press. Libraries, books and magazines, present to us, facts, information, speculation and theories, to gratify any wish or any taste. The secular press abounds in literature, politics, record of crime, of profligacy, of debauchery and every species of fact and fancy, stimulating and developing a vitiated taste in the readers, and the avidity with which much of it is sought and read shows to us how deeply this vi-tiated taste is being rooted. Very much of the writing of to-day points to skepticism and infidelity, leading our young people away from morality, from virtue and from God. But among the prominent authors and writers of the age, are many God fearing and God loving men and women whose writings and teachings give to us the highest order of pure sentiment, and unquestioned morality. Should we not, remembering the corrupting influ-ence of a vast amount of the reading matter now afloat, encourage by precept and by practice, the reading of good books and good papers, in preference to the yellow back literature and sentimental trash that now floods the world? Christian duty demands it. The welfare of the immor-tal souls under our guidance demands it. Let us be true to our trust.

The Baptist intellect and Baptist printing presses are not idle, we are glad to know. Within the reach of every man, woman and child, are books and papers, containing and teaching the fundamental truths of our reli-gion, which we believe was the religion taught by Christ. Our fight should be aggressive as well as defensive, and prudence suggests that we should be prepared for either. First by careful study of the Bible, that book of books, which teaches the whole law and the gospel. Then we should read and study books teaching our doctrines, and these books too should bear the imprint of a Baptist publishing house. That Baptist is not loyal to his cause who does not put on the whole armor, and equip himself with all the means at his command.

Our denominational news papers are numerous and ably edited, should be liberally patronized. That Baptist family without a weekly Baptist newspaper, is untrue to itself, and untrue to its profession. I do not name the many denominational papers, that would be profitable for you to read. They are all good. But I must say that our own State paper, *The Southern Baptist Record*, is eminently worthy our support and encouragement; its unfaltering zeal in the interest of our college; its unflinching courage in defence of prohibition and of every other conviction of its Christian Editors merit the approval and esteem of every Mississippi Baptist and its appeals for support should not go unheeded. We would further earnestly encourage a wide circulation of the *Foreign Mission Journal*, *Richmond Va.*, and *Our Home Field*, Atlanta, Ga., the organs of Foreign Mission Board and Home Mission Board respectively, and our Sunday school literature too, should be liberally patronized and encouraged as valuable aids to the great Sunday school interest. T. C. DOCKERY.

Remarks by the writer, J. T. Christian, J. R. Farish and others, adopted.

26. J. C. Droke read report on

FINANCES.

The churches have paid to us amounts as follows:

For State and Associational Missions.....	\$496 68
For Home Missions.....	42 00
For Foreign Missions.....	199 35
For Ministerial Education.....	18 25
For Mississippi College.....	8 00
For Minutes.....	57 90
TOTAL.....	\$812 18

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For State and Associational Missions.....	\$496 68
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Received of Hernando Sunbeams for Foreign Missions..	5 00
Total.....	\$840 43

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By A'Lount paid Bro. J. T. Christian.....	\$760 48
By Amount paid Bro. B. R. Womack.....	57 90
Total.....	\$818 38
Balance on hand.....	\$22 05

Respectfully Submitted, T. C. DOCKERY, Treasurer.

28. J. W. Lee read report on

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE.

While we do not claim that Mississippi College is the greatest of all our missionary enterprises, we do believe that it is second to none. We do not claim that its work is equal in importance to the preaching of the Gospel, but we do claim that it greatly assists those whose duty it is to preach, by preparing them for the great work of the ministry. We are grateful to God for His blessings upon the College in the past, and we pray that His blessings may still rest upon it, and that by His spirit he may direct the Baptist brotherhood of Mississippi to so push the work of Christian Education through the College that, the young manhood of Miss., and surrounding States may be elevated and strengthened intellectually and the Gospel preached more effectively. We recognize and commend the work of our College in two respects: first, in affording an opportunity to young men whom God has called to preach to prepare themselves for their work. Second, in giving to all young men, aspiring to all professions, the advantages of a thorough literary education under Christian influences. We recognize and appreciate the faithful labors of the ex-President, W. S. Webb. He stood nobly and heroically by the College in some of its darkest days, for which he deserves the thanks, love and prayers of the brotherhood of the whole State. We thank God for the manly, scholarly Venable, who succeeds his venerable father-in-law at the helm of the College; with his scholarly attainments and the hearty co-operation of his experienced father-in-law, we have every reason to expect a most prosperous management of the educational work of our noble institution. We would emphasize the fact that it is *our* College, and therefore deserves *our* sympathy, *our* patronage and *our* support.

J. W. LEE.

Remarks by J. T. Christian and J. W. Lee, when a collection of \$19.25 was taken up to help pay deficit in current expenses of the College last year. Report adopted.

29. Upon motion by L. N. Brock, the Clerk was ordered to get a blank form of CHURCH LETTER to Association and send one out with Minutes to each church.

The Moderator announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES:

TEMPERANCE.....	T. A. Knight	PUBLICATIONS.....	John Thompson
MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.....	B. B. Womack	FOREIGN MISSIONS.....	J. B. Moody
WOMAN'S WORK.....	L. N. Brock	STATE MISSIONS.....	L. F. Rainwater
MISS. COLLEGE.....	J. E. Barnett	HOME MISSIONS.....	W. M. Farmer
SUNDAY SCHOOLS.....	T. C. Dockery		

30. John Thompson read report on

WOMAN'S WORK.

Woman's mission has, I fear, never been fully realized by our people as it should be. The importance of woman's work in our churches is great, especially in its bearing upon the cause of missions. Through the ardent labors of the noble women of the Southern Baptist Convention,

us and ably edited, and family without a weekly to its profession. I cannot be profitable for us at our own State paper, y our support and confidence; its unflinching conviction of its Christianity Mississippi Baptist ed. We would further Foreign Mission Journal, the organs of Foreign etively, and our Sunday ed and encouraged as T. C. DOCKERY.

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great assistance has been rendered to all the objects fostered by it; and is quite a pleasure to know that women of the Coldwater Association are not behind in any good gift, but that they are alive to the importance of the work that devolves upon them and that efforts in the right direction have been put forth to discharge their duty as unto a faithful Creator.

The Report of the work done by the Woman's Mission Societies of the Coldwater Association is very encouraging. The statistics of the work are as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSION AND SUNBEAM SOCIETIES
OF THE COLDWATER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, FROM OCT. 1st 1890 TO OCT. 1st, 1891.

Arkabutla W. M. S.	\$ 35 00
Central Coldwater W. M. S.	25 00
Hernando W. M. S.	37 00
Holly Springs W. M. S.	62 00
Looxahoma W. M. S.	42 85
Mt. Zion W. M. S.	63 75
Peach Creek W. M. S.	41 65
Sardis W. M. S.	100 00
Senatobia W. M. S.	36 35
Senatobia Ladies Aid Society.	91 00
Total.	\$ 569 00

CHILDREN BUNDLES

Hernando Sunbeams.	\$ 7 50
Looxahoma Sunbeams.	2 50
Sardis Sunbeams.	35 00
Senatobia Busy Bees.	12 50
Total.	\$ 58 50
Grand Total.	\$ 628 10

MRS. N. P. HOUSE, Secretary.

MISS LIZZIE LEA MABRY, Vice President.

We are glad also to say that the work does not stop with the women of the Coldwater Association; but that it has reached all over the State of Mississippi; and their last report to State Convention shows that they have organized their forces into 361 Woman's Mission Societies and 94 Young Peoples Societies. Of this number, 64 new societies were formed last year, total number of Societies 455. These Societies put into the Mission Treasury last year, ending July 1891, the handsome sum of \$16,139.87; an increase over last year of 3,000, ending July 1890. Surely this must be a noble work in which these women are engaged, and the success of the work proves that it is receiving continually, the approbation of an Alwise God.

The women of the Southern Baptist Convention, we are glad to report, are equally organized in this grand and noble work. Listen, brethren, to the experience of the Foreign Mission Board, as copied from the *Foreign Mission Journal*, July, 1890.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES—The contributions of these societies, as reported, amount to the handsome sum of \$23,761.31 for foreign missions alone; over one-fifth of the total receipts of the Board for the year. But important as is the work of these societies in the matter of raising money, this, we are persuaded, is not the most important part of their work. The dissemination of missionary information, furnished in part by W. M. Union, and partly purchased from the Maryland Baptist Mission Rooms; the constant agitation of missionary subjects, in society meetings and in the home and social circle, as well as in the denominational papers; the training of the old and the young in the habit of regular and frequent giving of the tithes to the Lord's work; the cultivation of the

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spirit of prayer for missions—in these and many other ways, these societies have done and are doing a work more important even than the putting in the treasury of the Board the handsome sum mentioned above. How much of the increase of the missionary zeal and efficiency of our churches is due to this activity of our godly women none can know save Him who knows the secrets of all hearts.

If it were not superfluous, we would be tempted to speak of the remarkable wisdom and prudence, as well as zeal and energy, with which the officers and members of the Woman's Missionary Union have performed the arduous and, in many cases, extremely trying labors which have devolved upon them. Too much praise cannot be given, and in saying this we speak that we do know and testify that we have seen. Another class of helpers of whom honorable mention ought to be made is the

SUNBEAMS. These bands of little workers, under the direction of Rev. George Braxton Taylor (Cousin George), of Baltimore, have grown, in the four years since the movement began, to 448 in number, and their contributions last year amounted to \$4,352.25 for our Board alone. In many cases they have liberally contributed to other objects, both in Cuba and at home. In them, too, is being carried on a training process which gives promise of large gifts and large deeds for God in the years to come. God bless these little Sunbeams as they are sending their brightness into homeland and into the regions beyond, where gross darkness envelops the people.

Yes, and still the good work goes on, and will soon reach every nation where the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ is preached. Here are some of the evidences: The 22 Missions in the United States managed by women, and whose support comes from women, support 751 Missionaries. Last year they contributed \$1,037,283, and since their organization have contributed \$10,335,114. The forces of Great Britain, Continental Europe and the United States have an annual income of \$9,306,996. They man and equip 9,550 stations; support 5,431 Missionaries; have Mission churches that number 288,964 communicants. Surely your committee would be at a loss to point out a work that is proving more effectual to the commission that Christ has given to each one of his churches than the work that is being done by noble women in different parts of the vineyard of the Lord.

In conclusion let it be the sense of this body to assure these noble women in Christ that they have our sympathy, prayers and co-operation in so noble a work that they have undertaken for God's glory and man's salvation.

JOHN THOMPSON.

Discussed by John Thompson and adopted.

31. Moved by W. M. Farmer that the hearty thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered this church and community for their very generous hospitality, also that the Clerk be allowed \$20 for his services.

32. Moved by A. B. F. Crawford that Mt. Zion church, 9 miles east of Coldwater, be selected as the place for holding the next meeting of the Coldwater Baptist Association, to begin Thursday before the 3rd Sunday in October, 1892, and that L. N. Brock preach the Introductory sermon, B. R. Womack, alternate.

33. W. M. Farmer read the report on

OBITUARIES.

Within the last Associational year God, in His inscrutable wisdom, unchangeable goodness and neverfailing love, has taken from our midst a goodly number of our worthy and efficient members. Prominent among them, are the names of ELDERS H. C. LOWERY, W. D. HOWZE, and J. L. BROWN, and DEACONS A. M. HARAWAY, W. R. BARBEE and W. C. HENSHAW.

While we bow in meek submission to the will of God, yet it pains us to know that we shall have the counsel and labors of these good men no more.

BRO. BROWN was one of the oldest ministers in our midst; was a pioneer in the full sense of the word. He began his labors in this country about 1857 and continued until failing health forced him to retire. His latter days were days of patient suffering and resulted in his death on the 18th of July, 1891.

BRO. HOWZE was, for a long time, the efficient Clerk of our Association. Ordained late in life, he was at once taken up by the Association and put in the field as Missionary and Colporter, where he labored acceptably till he became a Pastor, in which capacity he labored acceptably till his death. BRO. LOWERY was old and retired; was known intimately by your committee as faithful and zealous in the Master's work to the time of his death.

The Deacons whose names appear on this paper were men of deep piety and sterling worth to their churches; but as God has seen fit to called them home to their reward,

Resolved, That their names appear upon our minutes and be embalmed in our hearts and that we deeply sympathize with the bereaved.

W. M. FARMER, M. WHITTLE, H. J. LEGGE, Com.

34. Moved that the Clerk be instructed to have printed in next minutes a short abstract of our Articles of Faith.

35. Moved by L. N. Brock, that W. M. Farmer, N. F. Metts and John Thompson revise the roll of ministers and licentiates, and report a correct list to the Clerk after adjournment; that reading of minutes of yesterday be omitted, and that we now adjourn. "Come Thou Fount" was sung and the parting hand given when the Moderator declared the Coldwater Baptist Association adjourned to meet with Mt. Zion church next October.

B. R. WOMACK, Clerk.

JOBE HARRAL, Moderator.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Barnett, J. E.....	Arkabutla	Legge, H. J.....	Sardis
Brock, L. N.....	Sardis	Metts, N. F.....	Harmontown
Carter, J. T.....	Cockrum	Miller, E. D.....	Holly Springs
Echols, J. W.....	Senatobia	Nichols, J. D.....	Eudora
Eddins, W. L.....	Wall Hill	Perry, A. G.....	Coldwater
Farmer, W. M.....	Senatobia	Richardson, John.....	Wall Hill
Gordon, W. M.....	Looxahoma	Sisco, J. W.....	Red Banks
Gray, I. M.....	Strayhorn	Thompson, John.....	Byhalia
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Hurdle, J. H.....	Slayden's Crossing	Womack, R. R.....	Senatobia

LICENTIATES.

Dollahite, P. H....	Love's Station	Perry, D. J.....	Hernando
Faulkner, J. E.....	Sardis	Sturdivant, J. W.....	Coldwater
Harwell, T. J.....	Hernando	Stroup, F. R.....	Watson
Moore, J. A. P.....	Sardis	Wilkinson, Alna.....	Senatobia



ARTICLES OF FAITH.

- I. We believe that the Holy Bible, written by men divinely inspired and full of unmixed truth, is a perfect rule of faith and practice.
- II. We believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
- III. We believe that man, once holy, fell by voluntary transgression from that happy state, and is now utterly void of holiness.
- IV. We believe that sinners are saved by grace alone.
- V. We believe that men are justified by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.
- VI. We believe that salvation is free to all who will accept the Gospel.
- VII. We believe that, except a man be renewed by the Holy Spirit, he is not qualified or prepared for the kingdom of Christ on earth, or to enjoy his glory hereafter.
- VIII. We believe that repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are the duties of every one who hears the Gospel.
- IX. We believe that election is the eternal purpose of God, by which he graciously regenerates, sanctifies, and saves sinners.
- X. We believe that sanctification begun in regeneration, and ever progressive, is the process by which we are made to partake of God's holiness.
- XI. We believe in the preservation of the saints: that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.
- XII. We believe that God's law is the only, the eternal and unchangeable rule of his church and moral government.
- XIII. We believe that a church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, united in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel, observing the ordinances and obeying the laws of Christ; and that its officers are pastors and deacons.
- XIV. We believe that Christian baptism is the emersion of a believer in water, by a properly qualified administrator, into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
- XV. We believe that only such as have been properly baptised and received into the fellowship of a regularly organized Baptist Church, should partake of the Lord's Supper.
- XVI. We believe that the Lord's day or Christian Sabbath should be devoutly observed, and sacredly devoted to religious services.
- XVII. We believe that civil government is of divine appointment, and that the governors of States and nations should be obeyed when the laws they seek to enforce are not in conflict with the Gospel.
- XVIII. We believe in the future resurrection of the dead.
- XIX. We believe in the final judgment; and that in that day, the righteous and wicked will be separated forever.
- XX. We believe that the righteous will be made happy forever in heaven, and the wicked miserable forever in hell.



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Amaziah, Tate.....	Strayhorn	I M Gray.....	S G Whitsell, J A Bowling
Bethel, Tate.....	Coldwater	J T Carter.....	J W Sturdivant.....
Bold Springs, DeSoto.....	Poplar Corner	W M Farmer.....	P H Dollahite.....
Byhalia, Marshall.....	Byhalia	Jno Thompson	John Thompson, R J How
Center Hill, DeSoto.....	Collierville, Tenn.	J T Carter.....	T D Coopwood, J A Crute
Central Coldwater, Tate*	Coldwater		T H Johnston.....
Chulahoma, Marshall.....	Chulahoma	N F Metts.....	C E Tucker, E R Bowen, I
Coldwater, ".....	Collierville, Tenn.	G W Johnston..	J S Turner, R J Deane.....
Ebenezer, DeSoto*.....	Love's Station...	W T Hudson...	A M Solomon T C Docker
Elam, Marshall.....	Watson	Jno Thompson	W E Cavett, W A Rogers
Evansville, Tate.....	Strayhorn	I M Gray.....	A T Howell, J J Morris...
Eudora, DeSoto*.....	Eudora	Jobe Harral	Jobe Harral, J T White...
Gray's Creek, DeSoto.....	Hernando	I M Gray.....	R F Cate, J W Cleveland...
Harmony, LaFayette.....	Harmontown	N F Metts.....	W B Phillips.....
Hebron, Marshall.....	Sardis	H J Legge.....	J E Faulkner, W A Allen...
Hernando, DeSoto*.....	Hernando		J W Lee, M Whittle, J M D
Hickory Grove, Tate.....	Eckles	G W Floyd.....	E E DeStazo, Geo McPeter
Holly Springs, Marshall*.....	Holly Springs	W I Hargis.....	Mrs. E D Miller, Miss Effie
Hopewell, Tate*.....	Arkabutla	J E Barnett.....	J E Barnett, W W Powell...
Longtown, Panola*.....	Longtown		A N Wright, F P Tate.....
Loxahoma, Tate.....	Loxahoma	J Richardson..	W M Gordon, A N Billingsly
Macedonia, ".....	Ingram's Mill...	J W Alford...	G Seymoore, T W Roberson
McIvor, Panola.....	Batesville		Not represented.....
Midway, Tate.....	Senatobia	I M Gray.....	R L Henshaw.....
Mt. Manna, DeSoto.....	Cochran	Jno Thompson	T A Knight, J C Droke, R K
Mt. Moriah, Marshall.....	Galena	W M Farmer...	A M Harc'n, Johnnie Quinn
Mt. Zion, Tate.....	Independence	G W Floyd.....	W J Self, W P Howze, A J E
New Hope, Tate.....	Cochran	Jno Richardson	W J Jamison, J C L Droke...
New Hope, LaFayette.....	Harmontown	N F Metts.....	N F Metts, S P Perkins, Joe
New Prospect, DeSoto.....	Lewisburg	J W Sisco.....	J H Collins, D W Sneed, J A
North Mt. Zion, Marshall.....	Mt. Pleasant		Not represented last year n
Oak Grove, DeSoto*.....	Hernando	W M Farmer...	Z H Nail, O J Nelson, Miss M
Peach Creek, Panola*.....	Melrose	J E Barnett.....	H H Parnell, T F Keating...
Philadelphia, Marshall.....	Wall Hill	Jon Richardson	L J Ragdale, Charles Baugh
Pleasant Grove, Panola*.....	Red Bank	J R Farish.....	J W Sisco, D P Harris.....
Pleasant Hill, DeSoto.....	Pleasant Hill	W T Hudson...	G Q Williams, R S Payne, I M
Salem, Tate.....	Cypress	H J Legge.....	Letter only.....
Sardis, Panola*.....	Sardis	L N Brock.....	L N Brock, A V Gates, L F R
Senatobia, Tate*.....	Senatobia	B R Womack...	W M Farmer D S McCracken
State Line, DeSoto*.....	Olive Branch	W T Hudson...	Milton Blocker, Wilson Flinn
Strayhorn, Tate.....	Strayhorn	W M Gordon...	I M Gray.....
Tyro, ".....	Tyro	H J Legge.....	J G Barnett, G T Aikin, R M F
Union, Panola.....	Sardis		A L Crumby, A L Ailen.....
Unity, ".....	Como	H J Legge.....	J M Ray, G T Mason.....
White Oak Grove, Marshall	Longtown	G W Hollowell	T D Nelson, D G Coffman....

* Churches marked with * reported an ever green Sunday school. *† This church gave last of churches do not count well. For instance: Ebenezer church reported 71 members at la and yet it reports 98 members! That is a net gain of 27!! So Senatobia reported 180 member might be mentioned.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

NAMES OF DELEGATES.

	Baptised	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Total	Increase	Decrease	Net Increase	Foreign Missions	State Missions	Associational	 Missions	Ministerial	Education	Mississippi College	Home Missions	Money for Minutes	Days of Meetings	Clerks
Stone, T H Hurdle, W G McBougie	9	1	2	3	119	5	15 00														
Whitsell, J A Bowling	3	5		19	8	50															
Sturdivant	5	3	1	3	1	55	5	5 00													
Dollahite	1	1		6	1	45	13	15 00													
Thompson, R J Howard, L H Shinault	13	3	2	7	1	2	50	8	4 20												
Coopwood, J A Crutcher, D H Haraway	3	2	1	32	6	15 00															
Johnston	5	1	1	5	1	41	1	1 65													
Tucker, E R Bowen, Fenner Moore	3	2	1	92	6	15 00															
Turner, R J Deane	5	1	1	41	1	1 65															
Solomon T C Dockery				98	2																
Cavett, W A Rogers				20	1																
Howell, J J Morris	14	1		58	10																
Harral, J T White				99	3																
Gate, J W Cleveland				63	1																
Phillips	35	2	1	5	1	4	86	28	15 00												
Faulkner, W A Allen, H J Legge	1	5		1	1	40															
Let M Whittle, J M Dockery	6	4		7	1	108	4	4 10													
DeStazo, Geo McPeters, J A and A B Crawford				126	15																
E D Miller, Miss Effie Ayers, M Phyllis Ayers				25	1	10 00															
Barnett, W W Powell, C B Best, R Chambliss				180	3	11 30															
Wright, F P Tate	5	1	1	4		78	3	17 00													
Gordon, A N Billingsly, A J Dixon	8	2		4	2	75	2	3 75													
ymore, T W Roberson, D McDaniel	9	8		25	17																
represented				34	14																
Henshaw				51	15	10 00															
Knigt, J C Droke, R K Knight	9	7		3																	
Harcin, Johnnie Quinn	4	1		4	2	52	1														
Self, W P Howze, A J Eaverson	3	4		6	2	1	170	2	18 70												
Jamison, J C L Droke	6			2	18		1	119	11	5 00											
Hetts, S P Perkins, Joe Johnson	22	8		2	13		29	5 00													
Collins, D W Sneed, J A Smith	2	2		4	1	37	1														
represented last year nor this																					
ail, O J Nelson, Miss Minnie				4	53	17	6 00														
Parnell, T F Keating	6	6		15	121	3	83 60	11 75	87 75	18 25											
agsdale, Charles Baugh	7	2		8	53	6		5 00													
isco, D P Harris	3	5		1	47	5	10 30														
Williams, R S Payne, I M Owen	9	2		4	1	84	6	22 50													
r only	7	4		5	5	1	104	2	9 45												
rock, A V Gates, L F Rainwater	13	10		2	3	119	18	53 10	28 54												
Farmer D S McCracken, M B Stamps	17	4		2	7	4	189	12	42 52	5 00											
Bloeker, Wilson Flinn, J	9	2		3		67	8	10 00	5 00												
ay	2	16		4	4	67	12														
arnett, G T Aikin, R M Freeman				8	4	1	91	13	11 00	33 85											
umby, A L Ailon	7	2		3		1	75	7													
ay, G T Mason	5	1		1		30	4	5 00													
lson, D G Coffman	5	8		1	1	64	10	5 00	7 00												

This church gave last year reported 71 members at last year's conference. The church letter of that church show that the membership during the last year decreased 2. Her letters show a net gain of 12, and yet it reports only 175 members! Several others

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